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In re application of:

ZAHN et al.

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Filed: July 2, 2003 Examiner: MARSCHEL, Ardin H.

Title: **METHOD FOR INDUCING A CONFORMATIONAL TRANSITION IN
PROTEINS, SUCH AS PATHOGENIC/INFECTIONS PROTEINS, AND
THEIR USE**

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark
Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter; and
- (2) Response to Official Action dated October 10, 2006.

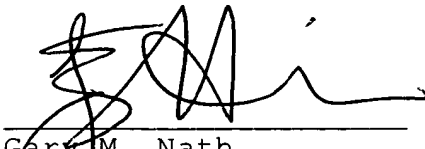
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Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated October 10, 2006. The one-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on November 10, 2006. Therefore, this amendment should be considered timely filed.

In view of the following remarks and amendment, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding restriction/election requirement and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the application, as follows.